

## **Part 1**

# **Composition of Functions**

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**Exercise 1** Suppose that  $r = f(t)$  is the radius, in centimeters, of a circle at time  $t$  minutes, and  $A(r)$  is the area, in square centimeters, of a circle of radius  $r$  centimeters.

Which of the following statements best explains the meaning of the composite function  $(A(f(t)))$ ?

**Multiple Choice:**

- (a) The area of a circle, in square centimeters, of radius  $r$  centimeters.
- (b) The area of a circle, in square centimeters, at time  $t$  minutes. ✓
- (c) The radius of a circle, in centimeters, at time  $t$  minutes.
- (d) The function  $f$  of the minutes and the area.
- (e) None of these choices.

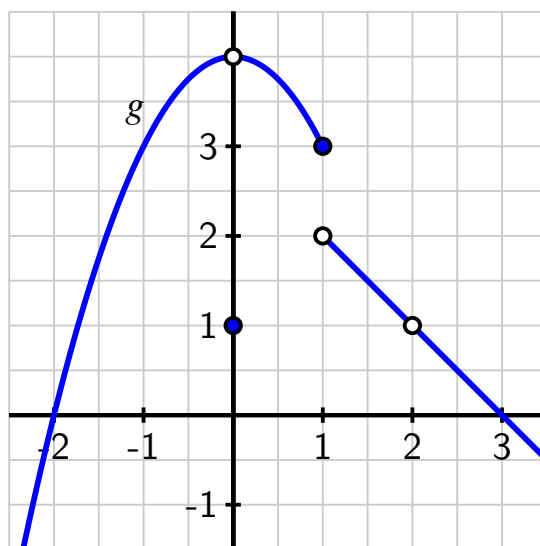
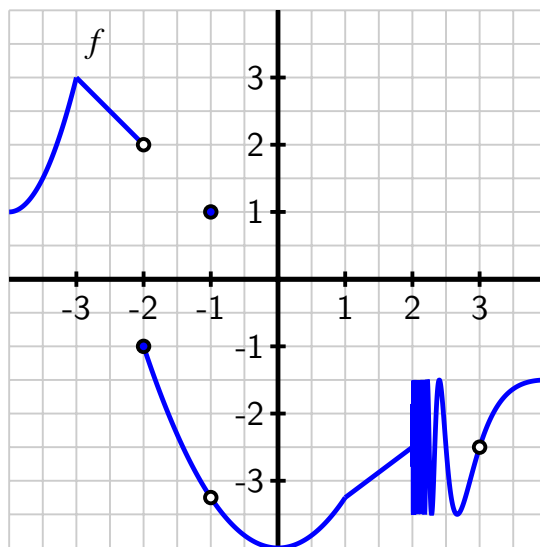
Suppose that  $r = f(t) = t^3$ . Recall that  $A(r) = \pi r^2$ . Find  $A(f(t)) = \boxed{\pi r^6}$ .

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**Exercise 2** Let functions  $f$  and  $g$  be given by the graphs below.

An open circle means there is not a point at that location on the graph. For instance,  $f(-1) = 1$ , but  $f(3)$  is not defined. If any answers below are not defined, write “undefined”.



Determine:

- $f(f(-2)) = \boxed{1}$
- $f(g(1)) = \boxed{\text{undefined}}$
- $g(f(-2)) = \boxed{3}$

- $g(g(0)) = \boxed{3}$
- $g(f(-3)) = \boxed{0}$
- $f(g(2)) = \boxed{undefined}$

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**Exercise 3** Let functions  $r$  and  $s$  be defined by the table below.

$t$	-4	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3	4
$r(t)$	4	1	2	3	0	-3	2	-1	-4
$s(t)$	-5	-6	-7	-8	0	8	7	6	5

**Problem 3.1** Determine:

- $(s \circ r)(3) = \boxed{-8}$
- $(s \circ r)(-4) = \boxed{5}$
- $(s \circ r)(0) = \boxed{0}$

**Problem 3.2** Select all the values that are in the domain of  $r$ .

Select All Correct Answers:

- (a) -8
- (b) -7
- (c) -6
- (d) -5
- (e) -4 ✓
- (f) -3 ✓
- (g) -2 ✓
- (h) -1 ✓
- (i) 0 ✓

- (j) 1 ✓
  - (k) 2 ✓
  - (l) 3 ✓
  - (m) 4 ✓
  - (n) 5
  - (o) 6
  - (p) 7
  - (q) 8
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**Problem 3.3** *Select all the values that are in the domain of  $s$ .*

**Select All Correct Answers:**

- (a)  $-8$
- (b)  $-7$
- (c)  $-6$
- (d)  $-5$
- (e)  $-4$  ✓
- (f)  $-3$  ✓
- (g)  $-2$  ✓
- (h)  $-1$  ✓
- (i)  $0$  ✓
- (j)  $1$  ✓
- (k)  $2$  ✓
- (l)  $3$  ✓
- (m)  $4$  ✓
- (n)  $5$
- (o)  $6$
- (p)  $7$

(q) 8

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**Problem 3.4** *Select all the values that are in the range of  $r$ .*

**Select All Correct Answers:**

- (a)  $-8$
  - (b)  $-7$
  - (c)  $-6$
  - (d)  $-5$
  - (e)  $-4$  ✓
  - (f)  $-3$  ✓
  - (g)  $-2$  ✓
  - (h)  $-1$  ✓
  - (i)  $0$  ✓
  - (j)  $1$  ✓
  - (k)  $2$  ✓
  - (l)  $3$  ✓
  - (m)  $4$  ✓
  - (n)  $5$
  - (o)  $6$
  - (p)  $7$
  - (q)  $8$
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**Problem 3.5** *Select all the values that are in the range of  $s$ .*

**Select All Correct Answers:**

- (a)  $-8$  ✓
- (b)  $-7$  ✓

- (c)  $-6$  ✓
  - (d)  $-5$  ✓
  - (e)  $-4$
  - (f)  $-3$
  - (g)  $-2$
  - (h)  $-1$
  - (i)  $0$  ✓
  - (j)  $1$
  - (k)  $2$
  - (l)  $3$
  - (m)  $4$
  - (n)  $5$  ✓
  - (o)  $6$  ✓
  - (p)  $7$  ✓
  - (q)  $8$  ✓
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**Problem 3.6** *Select all the values that are in the domain of  $s \circ r$ .*

**Select All Correct Answers:**

- (a)  $-8$
- (b)  $-7$
- (c)  $-6$
- (d)  $-5$
- (e)  $-4$  ✓
- (f)  $-3$  ✓
- (g)  $-2$  ✓
- (h)  $-1$  ✓
- (i)  $0$  ✓

(j) 1 ✓

(k) 2 ✓

(l) 3 ✓

(m) 4 ✓

(n) 5

(o) 6

(p) 7

(q) 8

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**Problem 3.7** *Select all the values that are in the domain of  $r \circ s$ .*

**Select All Correct Answers:**

(a)  $-8$

(b)  $-7$

(c)  $-6$

(d)  $-5$

(e)  $-4$

(f)  $-3$

(g)  $-2$

(h)  $-1$

(i) 0 ✓

(j) 1

(k) 2

(l) 3

(m) 4

(n) 5

(o) 6

(p) 7



(q) 8

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**Exercise 4** For each of the following functions, find two simpler functions  $f$  and  $g$  such that the given function can be written as a composite function  $g \circ f$ . The functions  $f$  and  $g$  should each be a famous function or a polynomial.

- If  $g(f(x)) = \sin(x^2)$ , then we could decompose this function into  $g(x) = \boxed{\sin(x)}$  and  $f(x) = \boxed{x^2}$ .
- If  $g(f(x)) = \sqrt{2x^5 - 7}$ , then we could decompose this function into  $g(x) = \boxed{\sqrt{x}}$  and  $f(x) = \boxed{2x^5 - 7}$ .
- If  $g(f(x)) = e^{3x-x^2}$ , then we could decompose this function into  $g(x) = \boxed{e^x}$  and  $f(x) = \boxed{3x - x^2}$ .
- If  $g(f(x)) = |\ln(x)|$ , then we could decompose this function into  $g(x) = \boxed{|x|}$  and  $f(x) = \boxed{\ln(x)}$ .
- If  $g(f(x)) = 5e^{4x} + 7e^{3x} - 11e^x + 4$ , then we could decompose this function into  $g(x) = \boxed{5x^4 + 7x^3 - 11x + 4}$  and  $f(x) = \boxed{e^x}$ .

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**Exercise 5** Use the given pair of functions to find the following values if they exist. If the value is not defined, write “undefined”.

**Problem 5.1**  $f(x) = x^2$ ,  $g(x) = 2x + 1$

- $(g \circ f)(0) = \boxed{1}$
- $(f \circ g)(-1) = \boxed{1}$
- $(f \circ f)(2) = \boxed{16}$
- $(g \circ f)(-3) = \boxed{19}$

- $(f \circ g)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \boxed{4}$
  - $(f \circ f)(-2) = \boxed{16}$
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**Problem 5.2**  $f(x) = |x - 1|$ ,  $g(x) = x^2 - 5$

- $(g \circ f)(0) = \boxed{-4}$
  - $(f \circ g)(-1) = \boxed{5}$
  - $(f \circ f)(2) = \boxed{0}$
  - $(g \circ f)(-3) = \boxed{11}$
  - $(f \circ g)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \boxed{\frac{23}{4}}$
  - $(f \circ f)(-2) = \boxed{2}$
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**Problem 5.3**

$$f(x) = \sqrt{3 - x}, g(x) = x^2 + 1$$

- $(g \circ f)(0) = \boxed{4}$
  - $(f \circ g)(-1) = \boxed{1}$
  - $(f \circ f)(2) = \boxed{\sqrt{2}}$
  - $(g \circ f)(-3) = \boxed{7}$
  - $(f \circ g)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \boxed{\frac{\sqrt{7}}{2}}$
  - $(f \circ f)(-2) = \boxed{\sqrt{3 - \sqrt{5}}}$
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**Problem 5.4**  $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x + 1}$ ,  $g(x) = 4x^2 - x$

- $(g \circ f)(0) = \boxed{3}$

- $(f \circ g)(-1) = \boxed{\sqrt[3]{6}}$
- $(f \circ f)(2) = \boxed{\sqrt[3]{\sqrt[3]{3} + 1}}$
- $(g \circ f)(-3) = \boxed{4\sqrt[3]{4} + \sqrt[3]{2}}$
- $(f \circ g)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \boxed{\frac{\sqrt[3]{12}}{2}}$
- $(f \circ f)(-2) = \boxed{0}$

**Problem 5.5**  $f(x) = \frac{3}{1-x}$ ,  $g(x) = \frac{4x}{x^2+1}$

- $(g \circ f)(0) = \boxed{\frac{6}{5}}$
- $(f \circ g)(-1) = \boxed{1}$
- $(f \circ f)(2) = \boxed{\frac{3}{4}}$
- $(g \circ f)(-3) = \boxed{\frac{48}{25}}$
- $(f \circ g)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \boxed{-5}$
- $(f \circ f)(-2) = \boxed{undefined}$

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**Exercise 6** Use the given pair of functions to find and simplify expressions for the following functions and state the domain of each using interval notation.

**Problem 6.1** For  $f(x) = x^2 - x + 1$  and  $g(x) = 3x - 5$

- $(g \circ f)(x) = \boxed{3x^2 - 3x - 2}$  with domain  $\left(\boxed{-\infty}, \boxed{\infty}\right)$

- $(f \circ g)(x) = \boxed{9x^2 - 33x + 31}$  with domain  $\left(\boxed{-\infty}, \boxed{\infty}\right)$
  - $(f \circ f)(x) = \boxed{x^4 - 2x^3 + 2x^2 - x + 1}$  with domain  $\left(\boxed{-\infty}, \boxed{\infty}\right)$
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**Problem 6.2** For  $f(x) = x^2 - 4$  and  $g(x) = |x|$

- $(g \circ f)(x) = \boxed{|x^2 - 4|}$  with domain  $\left(\boxed{-\infty}, \boxed{\infty}\right)$
  - $(f \circ g)(x) = \boxed{x^2 - 4}$  with domain  $\left(\boxed{-\infty}, \boxed{\infty}\right)$
  - $(f \circ f)(x) = \boxed{x^4 - 8x^2 + 12}$  with domain  $\left(\boxed{-\infty}, \boxed{\infty}\right)$
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**Problem 6.3** For  $f(x) = 3x - 5$  and  $g(x) = \sqrt{x}$

- $(g \circ f)(x) = \boxed{\sqrt{3x - 5}}$  with domain  $\left[\boxed{\frac{5}{3}}, \boxed{\infty}\right)$
  - $(f \circ g)(x) = \boxed{3\sqrt{x} - 5}$  with domain  $\left[\boxed{0}, \boxed{\infty}\right)$
  - $(f \circ f)(x) = \boxed{9x - 20}$  with domain  $\left(\boxed{-\infty}, \boxed{\infty}\right)$
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**Problem 6.4** For  $f(x) = \frac{x}{2x+1}$  and  $g(x) = \frac{2x+1}{x}$

- $(g \circ f)(x) = \boxed{\frac{4x+1}{x}}$  with domain  $\left(\boxed{-\infty}, \boxed{-\frac{1}{2}}\right] \cup \left(\boxed{-\frac{1}{2}}, \boxed{0}\right) \cup \left(\boxed{0}, \boxed{\infty}\right)$
  - $(f \circ g)(x) = \boxed{\frac{2x+1}{5x+2}}$  with domain  $\left(\boxed{-\infty}, \boxed{-\frac{2}{5}}\right] \cup \left(-\boxed{\frac{2}{5}}, \boxed{0}\right) \cup \left(\boxed{0}, \boxed{\infty}\right)$
  - $(f \circ f)(x) = \boxed{\frac{x}{4x+1}}$  with domain  $\left(\boxed{-\infty}, \boxed{-\frac{1}{2}}\right) \cup \left(\boxed{-\frac{1}{2}}, \boxed{-\frac{1}{4}}\right) \cup \left(\boxed{-\frac{1}{4}}, \boxed{\infty}\right)$
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**Problem 6.5** For  $f(x) = |x|$  and  $g(x) = \sqrt{4-x}$

- $(g \circ f)(x) = \boxed{\sqrt{4-|x|}}$  with domain  $\boxed{[-4, 4]}$
- $(f \circ g)(x) = \boxed{|\sqrt{4-x}|}$  with domain  $\boxed{(-\infty, 4]}$
- $(f \circ f)(x) = \boxed{|x|}$  with domain  $\boxed{(-\infty, \infty)}$

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**Exercise 7** Let  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ .

- (a) Compute  $AV_{[x, x+1]}$ . Assume  $[x, x+1]$  is in the domain of  $f$ . Your answer will involve the variable  $x$ .

$$AV_{[x, x+1]} = \boxed{-\frac{1}{x^2+x}}.$$

- (b) Compute  $AV_{[x, x+h]}$ . Assume  $[x, x+h]$  is in the domain of  $f$ . Your answer will involve the variables  $x$  and  $h$ .

$$AV_{[x, x+h]} = \boxed{-\frac{1}{x^2+xh}}.$$

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**Exercise 8** Let  $f(x) = x^3$ .

- (a) Compute  $AV_{[2, 2+h]}$ . Your answer will involve the variable  $h$ .

$$AV_{[2, 2+h]} = \boxed{12 + 6h + h^2}.$$

- (b) Compute  $AV_{[x, x+2]}$ . Your answer will involve the variable  $x$ .

$$AV_{[x, x+2]} = \boxed{3x^2 + 6x + 4}.$$

- (c) Compute  $AV_{[x, x+h]}$ . Your answer will involve the variables  $x$  and  $h$ .

$$AV_{[x, x+h]} = \boxed{3x^2 + 3xh + h^2}.$$